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## TO COME SOON, LOWER PRICES TO CONSUMERS

Increased Production And Exacting Demand of Buying Public, Will Pull Them Down

### FED. RESERVE BUS. REVIEW SAYS

Washington, Oct. 1.—(By The Association.)—Price cutting has taken hold of the wholesale trade to an extent that soon must be felt substantially in lower prices to the consumer, according to the Federal Reserve Board's monthly business review made public last night.

Revival of the wave of price reduction and its spread to many retail lines was attributed to "a more exacting demand by the buying public as to price and quality." Retail purchasers are showing continued determination to await a move by dealers to meet those demands while foregoing luxuries and semi-luxuries, reports to the board declared.

Although the board believed the buying public was largely dominating the market now it said that labor and production were having a marked effect on prices. There was evidence it said, of increased efficiency on the part of labor and as a result production was on the increase and factory operation beginning to approach normal.

Summed up, the board's findings were that "business conditions now are definitely on the road toward stability of as great and confirmed a nature as the disturbed position of the world at large permits."

"Continuance of the process of readjustment in business and industry has been an outstanding feature of the last month," the review said. "This has been accompanied by price reductions and by the resumption of work in branches of industry where hesitation as to future outlook has led to suspension.

"After an apparent slowing down in the price reduction movement during mid-summer, it has again reappeared and the month of September saw substantial cuts in well-known makes of automobiles, various classes of textiles, shoes and leather and other wholesale prices. Reductions have occurred in a variety of staples, including wheat. Changes in prices have tended to make business men and bankers cautious about future commitments."

Drops in prices have featured almost all of the textile, lines agents of the various reserve banks reported, and they added that, due to reductions already announced by wholesalers and jobbers, the retailers are buying carefully and not in large quantities. The retailers' attitude was depicted as necessarily conservative for the reason a market with a downward trend leaves him the alternative of taking a loss or keeping his shelves stocked with high priced goods.

Similar influences were shown to be bearing on the shoe and leather industry. In these lines, particularly, the reports of the board disclosed, the influence of the demand lessened by higher prices is strong and gives no in-

## BOOZE BECAME A SYNONYM OF WHISKEY BACK IN THE YEAR 1840

E. J. Booze Had Quart Liquor Bottles Made in the Shape of a Log Cabin

### NAME PERPETUATED

"Booze," a general term for intoxicating liquor, has been used extensively for some years, particularly since the beginning of active anti-liquor agitation. The word first became a synonym for whiskey back in the year 1840 it appears.

In the year occurred the celebrated "log cabin and hard cider" campaign of W. H. Harrison for the presidency. After he had been nominated by the Whigs his opponents sought to belittle him by describing him as a man who lived in a log cabin and drank hard cider. His friends succeeded in turning this in his favor. A log cabin carried on men's shoulders and followed by cheering crowds was made a prominent feature of political rallies. "Tippecanoe and Tyler too" was made the campaign slogan, "Tippecanoe" being Harrison's nickname, won in a battle against the Indians at Tippecanoe in 1811; Tyler was Harrison's running mate in the campaign and succeeded to the presidency on the latter's death a month after their inauguration.

In the heat of the campaign one E. J. Booze had quart whiskey bottles made in the shape of a log cabin. On the roof of the cabin were the words, "E. J. Booze's Log Cabin Whiskey." The liquor became fairly popular soon drinkers got in the habit of designating it simply by the name "booze," calling for a "bottle of booze" or "some booze." Thereafter the term came to be applied indiscriminately to various hard liquors and finally to intoxicating drinks in general.

Indication of wakening. Because of this apparent sentiment, the review stated, retailers are postponing buying or are buying only for current requirements.

While housing conditions were represented as being acute in all communities, the board's figures held out hope for an early renewal of construction. Material prices show the effect of price cutting in other commodities and certainly have passed the peak the review said.

Chicago and environs have been most favored with respect to price reductions in building materials and construction where, according to the board's reports, prices fell between 15 and 25 per cent during the last thirty days.

## SEVEN WIVES IN EIGHT YEARS

Shorn of Some of His Charms When he Reaches Prison

### CURLING VAN DYKE

Raleigh, N. C. Oct. 1.—It must have been a curling brown Van Dyke beard, a dark olive skin, ex-ceeding red lips, a great mass of waving hair, and a pair of deep and soulful eyes that got J. C. Edwards to the penitentiary yesterday morning to begin an eight-year sentence for having seven wives at the same time. Such an equipment is generally mentioned in the description of a living picture he-vamp.

A seance with the prison barber removed a part of the temptations where with seven women were induced to become the several Mesdames Edwards. The beard is gone; the long and rolling hair is shorn down to reasonable lengths, and the impressive garb, panama hat, white shoes and all, have been put away and the simple habiliments of the State's bastille substituted.

Edwards is a pleasant seeming young man, and admits in part to the charge of being a professional marrying man. His admissions go no further than three wives that he actually married. The other four, he asserts, were just "fooled with" and there were no services of a priest. He is a mechanic, according to his record, made out at the prison yesterday when Sheriff Ray brought him in from McDowell county.

Sheriff Ray opined that Edwards was a professional husband, rather than a mechanic. Seven wives in eight years lends something of color to the sheriff's views. It is alleged that he would marry a girl, preferably one with some money, and live happily as long as the money lasted, and then go to some other town and set out on a new matrimonial venture. The seventh Mrs. Edwards claims to have lost many diamonds and an automobile in the shuffle.

Unwhiskered, the young man may prove less of a terror in prison than he did outside, and eight years of service may bring him realization that one wife is at least enough. He doesn't know which one will claim him when he gets out.

### OPERA HOUSE CHANGES HANDS

Weldon, Oct. 1.—On October 1 the Opera House in Weldon will change hands, having been leased by Messrs. Elliott B. Clark and J. A. Dickens. These young men are full of energy and possess first-class business qualifications.

Washington, Oct. 1.—Light frosts as far south as Northern Alabama with lowest temperatures for October first in part of Georgia, Florida and Alabama reported to the Weather bureau this morning. A rising temperature in the South Atlantic states was predicted for Saturday.

The feeling was said to prevail that price revision in this, like other lines of trade, was due to spread.

## SOVIET GOV. DYING OUT SAYS KERENSKY

The Imperial Family Under His Care at One Time

### HE WAS IN LONDON

London, Oct. 1.—Alexander Kerensky, leader of the first Russian Revolutionary government has just concluded a short holiday here.

In statements to newspaper men he said he was of the opinion that bolshevism was dying a natural death in Russia but he considered that support given to a dictator from outside would unite all classes of the population on the side of the Soviet government.

Although he at one time made himself personally responsible for the safety of the Russian imperial family, Kerensky was reticent about his last meeting with the late Emperor Nicholas, "I intend shortly to make an important statement on this subject," he told the Evening Standard.

### FURNITURE PRICES NOT TO BECOME LOWER SOON

Grand Rapids, Mich., Oct. 1.—There can be no immediate reduction in the price of furniture, according to a statement made yesterday by John L. Young of Cleveland, president of the Retail Furniture Dealers' Association of the United States.

Reports circulated recently throughout the country that furniture is due for an immediate drop in price led the association to instruct Mr. Young and the executive committee to come to Grand Rapids and investigate the situation. Following a conference with the national council of furniture associations, now convening here, President Young authorized the statement that there have been no change affecting the cost of furniture generally that would indicate any aaterial reduction could take place in the near future without seriously affecting the wages and steady employment of men engaged in furniture manufacturing.

## GEN. PERSHING TO RECEIVE THE HIGHEST FRENCH MIL. HONOR

Washington, Oct. 1.—General Pershing will be decorated today with the Medaille Militaire, the highest military distinction which it is within the power of the French government to bestow. General Fayolle, of the French army, who attended the annual encampment of the American legion this week, will bestow the decoration and the ceremonies at Fort Myer, Va., will be attended by full military honors with troops at the post paraded.

The Medaille Militaire, created in 1852, can be awarded only to enlisted men who have earned high honor, or to army commanders who are to consider, the French regulations say, that it is given in recognition of the recipient's eminent service and also in "acknowledgment through his person of the valor of the troops which he has commanded in combat." Secretary Baker, Major

## AN EMERGENCY ARMY BY THE WAR DEPARTMENT IS FORMING

First Line Three Hundred Thousand Second of Four Hundred and Thirty-Five Thousand Officers And Men of The National Guard

### ALL MEN OF DRAFT AGE

## THE LATEST TELEGRAPH DESPATCHES

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

JP UNTIL FOUR O'CLOCK P. M.

Limerick, Ireland, Oct. 1.—Two constables were killed last night near Obriens bridge when the police patrol was fired upon.

London, Oct. 1.—A cabinet meeting to discuss the Irish situation. British newspapers are clamoring for an authoritative government statement as to its policy in Ireland particularly regarding to reprisals by the so-called black and tan police.

London, Oct. 1.—Terrence Macswiney Lord Mayor who is on his 50th day of hunger strike is reported suffering from severe pains in his arms and back. He passed a very bad night.

Enid, Oct. 1.—Governor Cox began his Oklahoma campaign with a speech here early this morning. Eight others are to be made during the day. Farm questions and the league of nations are the principal themes.

Marion, Oct. 1.—A lax enforcement of the prohibition laws was condemned today by Senator Harding in addressing a gathering of women from his front porch. He expressed the opinion that law enforcement was one of the important requisites of social progress but warned against the assumption of too much authority by the Federal government in its efforts or in other activities as there was grave danger when centralized expression begins to take from local communities its burdens of social conscience.

Norfolk, Oct. 1.—A three masted Brazilian Schooner Thomas Pollard, founded off Cape Henry early today and the crew was rescued by the life savers.

Jonesboro, Tenn., Oct. 1.—No future trouble is anticipated here

General March, chief of staff, and allied military attaches in Washington will attend the ceremony. General Fayolle on Saturday, in company with Secretary Baker, will visit Washington's tomb at Mount Vernon.

Among officials to whom the Medaille Militaire have been awarded are Marshals Joffre, Foch, Petain, General Foyolle and thirteen other French generals. Marshal Sir Douglas Haig and Prince Alexander, of Serbia, also were recipients of the award.

Oct. 1.—Plans are being completed by the war department for preparing the nation for instantaneous defense. The first line will consist of the regular army of 300,000 troops; the second line, of 435,000 officers and men of the national guard. Most important of all is the appointment of 70,000 officers, and possibly 12,000 more, who will command a vast reserve force consisting of every eligible man of draft age in the United States. The country will be divided into nine military districts, knows as corps areas, and each will be in charge of a corps area commander. The national guard will also be available for the suppression of disturbances caused by violence, fire, flood or epidemic and will guard industrial centers, railroads, docks, bridges etc. when necessary. All three branches of the new system may be expanded as emergency may demand.

Mrs. Walter Daniels who has been the guest of Mrs. Ashby Dunn left for her home in Weldon this morning.

when a mob last night wrecked the jail in an effort to lynch a negro charged with attacking a white girl. The militia dispersed the crowd after shots were fired through the jail windows and one prisoner slightly wounded. The jailer refused to surrender the negro who had been brought here from Johnson City where the trouble started and the mob followed the Sheriff here.

Charleston, W. Va., Oct. 1.—Franklin Roosevelt who has just completed a tour of the state where he made twenty speeches, declared today that he was firmly convinced that West Virginia will be found in the Democratic column after the November election. Roosevelt starts a tour through Kentucky today.

Dublin, Oct. 1.—Charges that reprisals in Ireland were a calculated policy of the British government and that a plot exists for assassination of the Irish Republican leaders were made today by Arthur Griffith founder of Sinn Fein organization.

Washington, Oct. 1.—The population of West Virginia is announced as 1,436,610 an increase of 240,491 or nineteen and nine tenths per cent.

Washington, Oct. 1.—The French General Fayolle was expected here today to confer upon General Pershing the Medaille Militaire the highest decoration of French Government.

Chicago, Oct. 1.—It became known here today that states Attorney Hoyne at the request of the owner Comisky of the White Sox at the close of the world series last year investigated a report that the games were thrown, said he found enough evidence to convince him the series were crooked but failed to find enough evidence to prove the fact.